A. Clean V rsion of Replacement Paragraph/Section/Claim with Instructions for Entry

Please amend the application as follows:

In the Specification:

On page 1 before the first line, insert the following paragraph:

This application claims the benefit of International Patent Application No. PCT/EP99/00604 filed on January 26, 1999.

Amend the paragraph at lines 21 and 22 to read:

The problem is solved according to the present invention by a process having features of independent Claim 1.

Amend the paragraph spanning pages 3 and 4 to read:

A further advantage of the invention lies in the fact that one does not, as in the known application of the mass or dispersion used for impregnation by means of spreading rollers, have to proceed with a relatively slow impregnation velocity of for example 18 to 25 m/min, in order to achieve an adequately uniform application, but that using the process according to the invention, in which the mass of dispersion is supplied by means of nozzles, one can achieve or realize impregnation velocities of 40 to 50 m/min.

Amend the paragraph on page 4 at lines 10-17 to read:

A special dispersion is first pre-mixed in a reservoir vessel having stirring means. Stirred into this are 200 kg melamine resin (Kauramin soaking resin 786 from Messr BASF), 10 kg water, 1.5 kg of a wetting agent, 0.4 kg of a separating agent and 1.5 kg hardener (H 527 from Messrs BASF). Then there is added 80 kg. corundum having a mean particle size of 135 μ -m. After 10 minutes of stirring 25 kg of ϵ -caprolactam and 0.9 kg of a commercially available silane adhesion promoter are added.